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The Bishop's Weekly Chat With You.

Iy dear Flock:

"Tis the month of our mother." n many languages the name iven to the fifth month of the ear resembles the name by which our heavenly mother is alled in the same language. In English the insertion of the let-er "r" converts the name of this month into the name "Mary." Devotees of the Blessed Virgin re glad that the most beautiful month in the year, the month when north of the equator there s a rejuvenation of nature and he first beautiful flowers of pring are procurable, was dedi-ated to her.

The older ones of us recall so vell the beautiful devotions held after the weekday Mass which we attended every morning in May, and the glorious May pro-ession with which a crown of lowers was placed on the head f Mary's statue or laid at her eet. On that day we all felt hat we were children of Mary, nd gloried in being called that.

Are we still children of Mary? Do we say her Rosary as we did n the days gone by? Do we pre-pare for her feasts by Novenas. nd are we faithful members of er Sodality? Do we practice nd set the example to others of he virtues which, we were aught in school, endear us most o Mary?

While Mary wants to be the mother of men as well as of la-ies, and while young men should be just as devoted to her as oung women, there is one par-icular matter in which young women should strive to honor Mary, and it is by following as losely as possible the will of the Church with reference to modes-y of dress.

As your Bishop, I feel obliged o call the attention of young wo-men and of their mothers to this matter, because Pope Pius XI as exhorted Bishops on a half lozen occasions, during the past ear to speak about this matter. confess I do not know much bout fashions, but I do know omething about principles, and o know what is right and what s wrong. The Holy Father does ot know what spring and sum-mer styles Paris has decreed for 926, nor what fashions servile women of the world will adopt, et he has written and said more han any other person on the ubject of immodest dress. You ay ask: Why? The answer is lear. Because he is the Church's fficial teacher of morals as well s of Faith, and feels in con-cience bound to hold out to all he Catholic women of the world he standards of the gospel.

It is not necessary that Catho-c women abstain from follow-ng the general style of dress, ut they should avoid the ex-remes of brevity of skirt and cantiness of under-covering. No atter what people may tolerate, ll persons have highest regard or the girl who shows her taste nd modesty. Modesty is the ost precious jewel that either e young man or young lady can ossess, and it should be guard-d and protected against loss just s much as a precious diamond r pearl would be. The young oman who tries to attract the ttention of a young man by vio-ting modesty is an agent of the evil, and is not likely to catch man worth much. Good men ave a high regard for modesty nd are in search of women hose standards are at least qually high.

Standards may not change ith the times nor with environ-ent, yet strangely, they do in e minds of the American peo-e. What would be regarded as hameful in one environment is garded as quite proper in an-her. For instance, people ould not wish to be seen at all their own premises or even in eir own home in the scanty at-re in which they are willing to ingle with hundreds and thous-nds at the bathing beach. In ality, of course, there should e no difference at all about the ght or wrong of it in either en-ronment. The same is to be id of parties and balls. If it ould be wrong to dress for out-oor recreation or for shopping people dress for those occa-ons, then it is not proper even the dance, and especially at the nce, where the contact with her people is closer.

The Catholics of the world, or en of this country, are suf-iently numerous to elevate the moral standards of people, or at least to show their superiority of taste in a way that would be noticed—and they are bound in conscience to do this. Our people will always play safe and will advance spiritually if they will follow the motto which I used as my text last week: *"Be not conformed to this world."* As to the chosen people of God we are not allowed to conform ourselves to the standards of the world, which are anything but Christian.

Parents! Support the attitude of the Church and of the school towards modesty in dress. Children! Go out into life letting your light of modesty shine, and win the respect of people as well as the favor of God by showing yourselves to be "clean of heart." Remember that the interior is properly judged by the exterior.

+ John Francis Noll
Bp. of Ft. Wayne

FIRST COMMUNICANTS IN TWO FORT WAYNE PARISHES—CONFIRMATION SUNDAY.

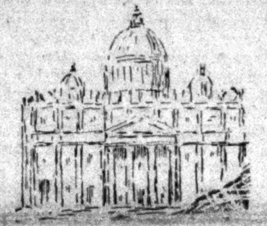
Rt. Rev. Bishop Confers Sacrament on Large Classes at St. Patrick's and St. Peter's.

Today, the fourth Sunday after Easter is first Communion day in St. Patrick's and St. Peter's parishes, Fort Wayne. Rt. Rev. Bishop John F. Noll, D. D., who opened his Confirmation appointments for the season in this city at St. Mary's, April 11, will confirm approximately 323 this afternoon and tonight. The candidates include the first communicants of this year and of 1925, besides about seventy-five adult converts. The respective rectors, Rev. Joseph F. Delaney and Rev. Charles H. Thiele, will be celebrants of solemn High Masses at 8:00 o'clock this morning at which they will give the first Communion day sermons. Eighty boys and girls will approach the Holy Table for the first time at the 8:00 o'clock Mass at St. Patrick's, the sixty-five first communicants of last year also receiving. Rt. Rev. Bishop Noll at 2:30 o'clock this afternoon confirms about 145 children and 50 adults at St. Patrick's. He will preach the Confirmation sermon, closing the afternoon services with Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament.

The first communicants of this year and last at St. Peter's church, total approximately 103. The children will receive at the solemn High Mass celebrated by Father Thiele at 8:00 a. m.

Tonight the Rt. Rev. Bishop makes his first official visit to the parish to administer Confirmation. The prelate will give the sermon, confirm the children and 25 adults, later officiating at Benediction with the Most Blessed Sacrament. In the majority of the other parishes there will be opening May Day solemnities Sunday night. On account of having first Communion and Confirmation annually on the first Sunday of May, it is customary in these congregations to have a solemn closing of the month, though there are May devotions held each morning after the last Mass.

DISPATCHES FROM THE ETERNAL CITY



Court of Twelve to Accompany Legate To Chicago Congress

To Travel In Ecclesiastical Garb.

ROME CABLE.

Rome, April 26.—Cardinal Bonzano, whose appointment as Papal Legate to the Twenty-eighth International Eucharistic Congress at Chicago in June has just been announced, will be accompanied to America by an official delegation and a private court, numbering altogether twelve persons.

Monsignor Respighi, Prefect of Pontifical Ceremonies, will be a member of the party; but the other members have not as yet been announced.

Complying with the express desire of His Holiness, the legate and his party will go by as direct a route as possible from Rome to Chicago and return, without making any side excursions. Also by express wish of the Pope, the journey will be made in ecclesiastical habit.

Cardinal Mundelein of Chicago, on Friday, cabled his thanks to the Holy Father for Cardinal Bonzano's appointment; and on Saturday the news of the selection of the legate was published in Rome.

Cardinal Bonzano declared himself deeply grateful to the Pontiff for the honor accorded him, and very glad again to visit the country where he was received with such kindliness before, and where there is now being prepared such a splendid triumph for the Eucharist.

Instructions are now awaited from Chicago, before final arrangements are made for the departure of the legate and his party.

Month of Mary Being Observed

From time immemorial Holy Church has dedicated the month of May to the Blessed Mother of God, and throughout the diocese of Fort Wayne devotions in her honor begin today.

At 7:45 o'clock at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, Fort Wayne, devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary will be solemnly opened. The rector, Rev. Thomas M. Cohroy, officiates and will also give the sermon. Approximately 600 students from St. Catherine's Academy and the Cathedral grade school will participate in the beautiful May Day procession. Chanting the Litany of the Blessed Virgin, the children will enter the church proceeding to the sanctuary through the main aisle.

After their chanting of the Litany, the students will unite in the rendition of May Day hymns, a special selection being given at the coronation. Recitation of the Act of Consecration to Mary Immaculate is followed by Father Conroy's sermon and concluding the services he will officiate at Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament. Altars will be appropriately decorated and there will be presentation of floral offerings by the children.

In other parishes where solemn opening of May is held, there will be similar processions Sunday night, sermons by the respective pastors, singing of May Day hymns and Benediction.

In the hundreds of other churches of the diocese this ceremony will be duplicated, either on this, the first Sunday of May, or upon the last. Week day devotions will be held in many churches.

May Preside at Triduum.

Bishop Noll is being urged to preside at the three-day devotion in honor of the recently beatified Pere Emyard, founder of the Priests' Eucharistic League, and the Laymen's Eucharistic League, which will be celebrated in Blessed Sacrament church, Chicago. At a recent triduum held in Blessed Sacrament church, New York, Bishop Schrembs pontificated.

Owing to his crowded schedule of confirmations and other appointments, the Bishop is unable as yet definitely to accept the invitation.

SCHOLARSHIPS ARE URGED BY NOTRE DAME ALUMNI.

Members of the Fort Wayne Notre Dame club at a recent meeting held in Fort Wayne in connection with a noon luncheon joined in the observance of universal Notre Dame day. Plans were made for a special meeting of the club in June at which the matter of providing Notre Dame scholarships will receive attention. President William P. Breen, appointed Joseph M. Haley, C. Byron Hayes and Donnelly McDonald to study sentiment on scholarship donations by Fort Wayne alumni. This committee will report at the June meeting.

Joseph M. Haley, member of the board of trustees of the National Notre Dame Alumni Association, gave a report on the spring meeting of the trustees and made an appeal to the Notre Dame Alumni of Fort Wayne to aid financially needy students to acquire college training.

Parochial School Boy Wins First Place At Marion.

Leonard Cross, 14, Receives Unanimous Decision

Leonard Cross of St. Paul's parochial of Marion, won the unanimous decision of the judges for first place in the Eleventh Congressional district high school oratorical contest held at the Marion high school auditorium, with representatives of high schools from six of the seven counties in the district competing for honors before 700 persons.

The announcement of the victory of the 14-year-old orator was greeted with hearty cheers, much stamping of feet, and an outlet of triumphant feelings, when District Chairman Robert M. Van Atta uttered the magic words that opened the gates for the young man into the territorial E contest to be held in the high school auditorium.

He will also receive $50 in gold, which is given by the Marion Chronicle, as well as prizes for the other three places.

The contest was very close throughout, although the judges were unanimous in the selection of young Leonard Cross as winner, as he had a well-prepared talk which he delivered in a fine way, using graceful and spirited gestures, which other contestants did not seem to have at their command.

Each talk was well delivered and according to the decisions of all three judges, Judge W. S. Ellis of Anderson, Judge E. W. Hamilton of Bluffton and Attorney J. L. Overson of Kokomo, the scores of each participant ranged from 85 to 95 points, with Noyelles Burkhardt giving Leonard Cross a close race for first place.

Was a Boys' Night

It seemed to be a boys' night, for of the three girls and three boys who orated upon the Constitution, the three boys won first, second and third places.

Bishop Present at Cantata.

On his recent visit to St. Lawrence College, Mt. Calvary, Wis., the Right Rev. J. F. Noll, D. D., Bishop of Fort Wayne, was guest of honor at an elaborate cantata, designed to tell the story of the life of St. Francis of Assisium in declamation, song and tableau. The Bishop expressed his appreciation of the admirable presentation, and of the cordial reception accorded him, the College's only Bishop alumnus. On the following day, April 22, the Bishop took leave of the Faculty and student body, who were assembled with the college band to bid him farewell. Over seventy-five clergy, mostly alumni, were at the celebration, which commemorated the Seventh Centenary of St. Francis. On Friday, May 23, the Bishop pontificated at the Academy of Our Lady, Longwood, Chicago. He was assisted by Fathers Dapp and Miller of Fort Wayne, Father Keller of Mishawaka, and Father Smith, Chaplain of the institution.

News Within the Domain of the Stars and Stripes

"MOVIES" CENSORING BY FEDERAL BOARD MEETS OPPOSITION

National Catholic Welfare Conference Administrative Committee Submits Statement Protesting Against the Upshaw and Swope Bills.

Washington, April 24.—Catholic bodies vigorously protested against the Upshaw and Swope bills, which would create a Federal Motion Picture Commission with sweeping powers, at the hearings on the two measures just concluded by the Education Committee of the House.

The Rev. John J. Burke, C. S. P., General Secretary of the National Catholic Welfare Conference, in a statement submitted to the committee in his behalf, declared that the Upshaw bill would "confound and confuse industrial regulation and moral censorship" and would encourage "the surrender of that personal moral responsibility on which the Government itself depends for its own life and vigor." Charles A. McMahon, Director of the N. C. W. C. Motion Picture Bureau, who filed Father Burke's statement, told the committee that the same objections held against the Swope bill, and spoke against both measures.

Mrs. Thomas A. McGoldrick, chairman of the Department of Literature of the International Federation of Catholic Alumnae, said her organization opposed the bills on the same grounds that it opposed the Curtis-Reed education bill, because they would centralize control over a matter which could be handled adequately by local groups, and were bureaucratic.

The American Federation of Labor, the Director of Recreation of the Russell Sage Foundation, the Altanta Committee for Better Films, and other civic and religious groups added their voices to the opposition. The chief spokesman for the bills was Canon S. Chase, Superintendent of the International Reform Bureau. Both Representatives Upshaw and Swope urged their measures, and the Federal Motion Picture Council, the Citizens' League of Maryland and other bodies spoke in their favor.

Carnegie Scholarship Won by Student Of Georgetown

Washington, April 24—Walter H. E. Jarger, post-graduate student at Georgetown University, has been announced as the winner of a high honor from the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace. It is in the form of a fellowship in international law, and carries with it a scholarship worth $1,800 for a year's study in two of the foremost schools in Paris. This scholarship is renewable at the pleasure of the Carnegie Endowment.

Mr. Jarger's home is in Allandale, N. J. He studied for two years at Nice, France, and was graduated from Columbia with honors in 1922. He is now a candidate for the degree Doctor of Philosophy in the School of Foreign Service at Georgetown.

Chapel Train Specials To Be Run to Chicago

Chicago, April 25.—The Chicago & Great Western Railway, which has arranged to carry 2,200 visitors from St. Paul and Minneapolis to the Eucharistic Congress, June 20-24, will have altars installed in special cars in each of the five special trains. These altar cars will be placed in the center of the trains, which will stop at Oelwein, Ia., shortly after midnight, when Mass will be celebrated.

As the trains will not arrive in Chicago until Sunday morning, the opening day of the Congress, is well advanced, the delegates will have an opportunity to hear Mass and go to Communion as there will be little time to do so on arrival, especially as all the down town churches probably will be filled to overflowing. The idea of the Great Western, which has the approval of Eucharistic Congress officials, will prove a big help to Twin City visitors, allowing them on arrival to go directly to their hotels and prepare for the Sunday afternoon exercises of the Congress.

Two More Chicago Churches Dedicated

Chicago, April 25.—Two magnificent new churches in the Archdiocese of Chicago were dedicated today with impressive ceremonies, St. James at Highwood, a northern suburb, and San Callisto in the Italian district of the West Side. Cardinal Mundelein officiated at the former and Bishop Hoban at the latter. In both cases there were parades of Catholic societies preceding the ceremonies.

CATHOLIC EVENTS FROM EVERYWHERE

THE BISHOPS OF MEXICO ISSUE PASTORAL LETTER ON PERSECUTION

Call for Amendment of Constitution's Clauses Which Restrict Religious Freedom in Republic—Rights of the Church.

Explain True Relation Between Church and State—Charge Enforcement of Constitution Is Discriminatory—Obligations of Catholics In Situation Are Set Forth.

Mexico City, April 21.—The Pastoral Letter of the Archbishops and Bishops of Mexico, issued today, is the first joint pronouncement of the Mexican Hierarchy on the subject of religious persecution. The Letter calls for the amendment of those clauses of the Constitution which restrict religious freedom and urges the Catholics to organize for the defense of their rights.

Declaring that "the recent religious events, known to all have deeply afflicted our soul and the souls of all Mexican Catholics, awakening in all a just anxiety and apprehension," the Bishops affirm that it is their duty, as the pastors called by the Holy Spirit to govern the Church of God, to issue to their flocks "words of instruction, encouragement and concord."

The Pastoral says in part:

"In speaking to you with all the clarity which the circumstances demand; with all the love inspired by faithfulness to the fulfillment of our duty to religion and to country, we wish, first of all, to warn the nation that we do not wish to provoke any religious conflict. On the contrary, we wish to bring about the definite cessation of that, which is disturbing all minds and we shall not be acting in opposition to this aim when, after recalling the nature of the Church and State and their mutual relations, and the fact that the Church has the right to establish itself and perpetuate itself in our country, we deduce that some of the precepts of the General Constitution of the Republic of February 5, 1917, being contrary to the rights of the Church, to religious liberty and to the will of the Mexican Catholic people, should be reformed legally and with all urgency so that the peace and prosperity of the nation may become a fact by cutting off at the root the cause of such useless discord."

The Pastoral then examines and explains in detail the origin, nature and characteristics of the Church as a divinely constituted society, independent of the State, supreme in its own domain and in its aim, the salvation of souls.

Relations Between Church and State

Passing on to the consideration of the relations between the Church and State the Pastoral says:

"When a nation enjoys the immense advantage of being Catholic in its totality the State, or rather the Government, is under the obligation to admit and defend in practice the rights and privileges derived from the doctrine heretofore explained.

"For this reason, before the loss of religious unity in Mexico was consummated, the clergy and Catholic people of Mexico were laboring in conformity with their rights when they strove by every possible peaceful means to the end that this unity might be preserved intact and that the government, fulfilling its duty, should act as would be proper for a strictly Catholic authority.

Status of Church in Mexico

Referring specifically to the legal and real status of the Church in Mexico, the Pastoral says:

"But let us turn our eyes to the legal condition and present state of the Catholic Church in Mexico and we shall see that the present conditions are unbearable and with what reason we have believed that the time has come to say: NON POSSUMUS!

"But as it is not our desire to embitter minds, we shall content ourselves with a simple enumeration of the precepts of the Constitution and of their violent application, omitting all comment."

The first subject taken up is the contents of the Constitution, as it affects persons and things, and the Pastoral points out that it does not recognize the judicial personality of the Church:

"The Constitution establishes the absolute separation of Church and State and Congress is deprived of the right to establish or prohibit any religion (Art. 130) and freedom is granted to all to profess any religion according to their conscience (Arts. 24 and 130).

"The Press is considered religious by program, title or by its ordinary tendencies may not publish information or opinions concerning national political matters." (Art. 130).

Franciscan Oriental Scholar Dies in Motor Accident

Jerusalem, April 21.—The Rev. Gaudentius Orfali, O. F. M., Oriental scholar and counsellor of the Board of Antiquities in Palestine, was killed in an automobile accident last night while enroute from Capernaum to Beirut to attend the sessions of the international archaeological congress now being held in the latter city. Father Orfali was recognized in Europe as one of the highest authorities on Palestine archaeology.

Father Orfali was dean of the Franciscan Archaeological School and supervised the restoration of the ancient synagogue in Capernaum.

He was born of Arabic parents in Nazareth about forty-three years ago. He was educated in a Franciscan school in Jerusalem and at Rome and Fribourg. He helped to organize the Palestine Pavilion at the Missionary Exhibition in Rome in 1925. He was also associated in the excavation of the Basilica of Gethsemane (a church of the third century). His collaborators in this work were the Rev. Prosper Viand, O. F. M., and Brother Sebastian Kersting, O. F. M., the latter an American and a member of the Cincinnati Province of the Franciscans. One of Father Orfali's books, written in French, is in the Congressional Library at Washington.

Cologne Cathedral's Poor Acoustics Are Remedied by Radio

Cologne, April 16.—Radio apparatus has been used successfully to overcome the poor acoustic properties of Cologne Cathedral.

Heretofore it has been impossible for the full congregation to understand even the best speakers in the edifice. The Franciscan Cathedral preacher, Father Dionysius, who possesses one of the best speaking voices and most effective styles, was unable adequately to be heard. Radio devices have been installed and now voices and music are carried excellently to every nook and corner of the great church.

ASKS THAT OBITUARY BE OMITTED

London, April 17.—Father Walter Sylvester, O.S.C., Bayswater, London, who died this week at the age of 77, made the unusual request in his will that no obituary notices be written about him.

CANON ROSS SINGS BROTHER'S REQUIEM.

London, April 17.—Msgr. Canon Ross, British director of the Propagation of the Faith, sang Requiem Mass at the funeral of his brother, Thomas Stephen Ross, aged 46.

Dominican Father Finds Altar Joshua Built at the Command of Moses

Jerusalem, April 12.—Through the efforts of a Dominican Father, it is believed that the famous Biblical altar of Joshua, constructed about the fifteenth century B. C., has at last been found. It is remarkable that an actual altar has been discovered, whereas centuries of previous search had not even revealed the site.

Father Raphael Canneau, a professor at the Ecole Biblique de St. Etienne in Jerusalem, is the man who made the discovery, after a series of new researches based on premises not used before.

When the Israelites came out of the desert, according to the Bible, and, Moses having died in the land of Moab, crossed the Jordan under the guidance of Joshua, they confronted the city of Jericho. This city they took, then consolidated their first conquests by capturing the city of Hai, after which they advanced as far as Sichem. It is related, after the account of the fall of Hai, that Joshua "built an altar to the Lord the God of Israel in Mount Hebal," and that, according to the command of Moses, it was "an altar of unhewn stones which iron had not touched."

The discovery is regarded as of great value in the study of the Israelites' history through monuments they have left. There already are known some Semitic altars, but this example is believed to be the first example of an authentic Israelite altar.

Costly Church at South Bend Dedicated

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1,000 families. It was organized in 1910 by the Rev. John Kubacki, who served the church for 10 years until Feb. 1920, when the present pastor was assigned to the congregation. The first building was dedicated in September 1911—it was a church-school combination, all of which will now be converted into the school, the church space making about six more rooms available. This building stands to the south of the new church, while the three story rectory of 22 rooms, is around the corner from the new church, on the west side. Thirteen Felician nuns from Detroit, with the assistance of the two assistant priests, teach the eight grades, in which nearly 1,000 children are enrolled.

St. Adalbert's new church is built along the Gothic lines and is especially beautiful and imposing with its tall spires and large wide entrance. Inside the front doors is the large vestibule, which opens into the church proper, a beautiful sight with its tall white columns on either side of the long aisles, leading almost to the Communion rail. Niches have been provided throughout the edifice for the placing of statues and paintings. The pulpit is nearly in the middle of the church, placed there to render the acoustics better. There is also a large gallery and a balcony. The organ from the old church, valued at $6,000, is being moved into the new building by VanDinter's of Mishawaka, organ builders. The cornerstone of the new building was laid in July 1923, the late Rt. Rev. Herman J. Alerding presiding at the ceremony. Worthman & Steinbach of Chicago are the architects and the Smoger Lumber Co. of South Bend the general contractors. The church is lighted with a new lantern system, which with reflectors in the sanctuary, is unusually attractive and beautiful. The Rambusch Decorating Co., of New York had the contract for this.

A large statue of St. Adalbert stands on the corner of the lot. This was unveiled in 1919 by Bishop Alerding, and the sermon was given by Father Osadnik, who at that time was stationed at LaPorte.

The entire congregational property of St. Adalbert's is fixed at a valuation of about a half-million dollars. The sum of $70,000 has already been raised for the new building. Altars, pictures and other articles have been donated by the various societies and individual parishioners. The church has the plain glass windows, the stain art windows being out of the question for some time. It is estimated that three of the large windows alone cost on an average of $6,000 per window, and some of the smaller ones at least $2,000.

Father Osadnik was born in Germany, where he received his education, later attending schools in Poland. When he came to the United States 18 years ago he first settled near Philadelphia, later going on to Duluth. From the latter place he was sent to the Sacred Heart church at LaPorte, and to South Bend in 1920.

It is estimated that the four Polish churches in South Bend—St. Hedwige, St. Casimir, St. Stanislaus and St. Adalbert—take care of about 20,000 souls. There are over 3,000 families enrolled in the four places, probably about half of the Catholic families in South Bend.

Most of the Polish people in that section are employed by the Singer Sewing Machine Co., at the Studebaker plant and at Olivers. The infant church of the denomination—St. Adalbert's—is so situated in South Bend that there is room for a great deal of growth. The city is rapidly building out past the new building, which means that the congregation likewise will grow from time to time. The school at the present time is too small but it is hoped with the turning of the old church into class rooms, that crowded condition can be remedied until the church is free of debt.

Immediately after the dedication services, on Tuesday the 27th, Father Osadnik will begin Forty Hours devotions.

SUGGESTIVE ADVERTISING, CRIME NEWS CONDEMNED BY AMERICAN PRESS

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ence of the press "that the peoples and Governments contribute morally and materially to the early realization of this work, as the greatest common homage of the American Continent to the Discoverer."

Dr. Juan Jose Tablada of "El Universal," Mexico City, made the declaration: "Through the great desire for opportunity and pretext of sensationalism, news that appears innocuous, figures that seem truthful . . . sow alarm and spread panic . . . It is sad to see how politics and exalted party spirit do not measure the irreparable danger that the misrepresentation of truth, falsification and exaggeration may have for the concord or even for the peace between nations."

Plea for Tolerance

Herbert F. Gunnison, president of the "Brooklyn Daily Eagle," in the course of his address made a plea for tolerance.

"Next in importance to information for those who deal with international matters through the press, I place an attitude of broad toleration," he said. "Too many of us still think in old Roman terms when they used the same word for foreigner and for enemy. . . If we placed a little less reliance on foreign merchandise and had a little more respect for foreign opinion, it might help us in many ways. We must learn to be generous in dealing with opinions that are different from our own."

Bishops of U. S. Protest Mexican Injustice

Catholics Asked to Hold Meetings for Religious Justice.

Washington, April 16.—The Administrative Committee of the National Catholic Welfare Conference, after considering the Mexican situation at a three-day meeting here, today issued a statement in which it reviewed the events leading up to the present persecution and called upon the Catholic people of the United States to interest themselves as a body and to hold meetings at which the United States Government would be asked to use its good offices for the restoration of religious justice in Mexico.

The Administrative Committee also took four other steps in the Mexican situation:

1. It announced that it will form a national committee of prominent men and women who will give special attention to making better known the facts of the religious persecution in Mexico and to extend their aid to the Catholics of Mexico.

2. It directed the National Council of Catholic Men and the National Council of Catholic Women to send out to all their affiliated organizations to arouse the interest of their members in the Mexican situation, and to plan public meetings whereat Catholics and their non-Catholic brethren would speak against the injustices of the present Mexican Government.

3. It announced that in its report of its work of this meeting to the Bishops of the country it will ask the Bishops to announce in their dioceses a triduum of prayer to Our Lady of Guadalupe, the patroness of Mexico, for help and relief to the Mexican people in their present distress and that the hand of the persecutor may be stayed.

4. It announced that it has about ready for the press a handbook giving information up to date on the Mexican religious situation, with a review of the main facts that led up to it.

The statement was signed by:

Edward J. Hanna, Chairman, Archbishop of San Francisco; Austin Dowling, Archbishop of St. Paul; P. J. Muldoon, Vice-Chairman, Bishop of Rockford; Joseph Schrembs, Bishop of Cleveland; Edmund F. Gibbons Bishop of Albany; Philip R. McDevitt, Bishop of Harrisburg; Thomas F. Lillis, Bishop of Kansas City.

MILITARY TRAINING SYSTEM DEFENDED

Omaha, Neb.—Major Francis M. Brannan, Head of the Department of Military Science at Creighton University, defended the system of Military Training in the universities in a speech over WOAW radio Station April 10.

CHAPLAINS TO MEET IN WASHINGTON.

The first week in May, 1926, will be a memorable one in the history of the Army Chaplaincy. It is probable that more men who have served as chaplains will meet in Washington during that week than have ever before been assembled.

These men are congregating for three definite purposes:

a. To honor their comrades who gave their lives in the World War. A Memorial Tablet is to be unveiled May 5, 1926, in Arlington National Cemetery.

b. To co-operate with a large group of distinguished churchmen who have been invited by the Secretary of War to confer with a view to recommending such plans and procedure as may make more effective the general program of moral and religious training for soldiers. This pan-sectarian conference will meet May 4-6, 1926.

c. To attend the annual meeting of The Chaplains' Association of the Army of the United States. The object of this Association is "to foster a fellowship among the men who are serving as chaplains in the Regular Army, the National Guard, the Officers' Reserve Corps, retired chaplains and those who formerly served as chaplains; to disseminate information relative to the religious work in all branches of the Army; and to be the medium for the interchange of ideas and the development of methods calculated to promote and maintain a high moral and religious standard throughout the Army."

All chaplains of the National Guard, the Officers' Reserve Corps, the Regular Army and those who have served as chaplains are invited to participate in the exercises of the week.

Nun, Knight of Legion of Honor, Made Officer

Paris, April 12.—The Minister of the Colonies has awarded the rosette of Officer of the Legion of Honor to a Catholic nun, Sister Antoine, a missionary in Tonkin. Sister Antoine contracted an incurable disease in caring for the sick in the colonies. She has served for thirty-seven years in Tonkin where she has won universal veneration and gratitude for her constant devotion to the aid and relief of the native and European sufferers. The Governor-General of the colony went to the hospital where hundreds of unfortunates are cared for, and presented the insignia of the decoration to Sister Antoine as a reward for her whole life of abnegation. Sister Antoine had been a Knight of the Legion of Honor since 1920.

As a general rule a student finds it harder to remember dates than to keep them.

Catholic Church Is Praised by Methodist Bishop

New York, April 12.—The "heroic spirit" retained by the Catholic Church was signally praised in his Conference sermon in Washington Square Church on Sunday by Bishop Francis J. McConnell, of Pittsburgh, who is presiding over the 127th annual New York Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church now in session in this city.

The Catholic Church has always given its ministers "the utmost freedom of expression of the spiritual convictions that moved them", declared the Bishop, who had also disclaimed any defense of the Catholic Church.

"I am no defender of the Roman Catholic Church, for I always have maintained that when Rome was Christianized the Church of Christ was in some measure Romanized and not altogether for its own good," said Dr. McConnell.

"But the Church of Rome has a certain worldly and spiritual wisdom which we might well heed. In the days when Spain was persecuting and oppressing the Indians a humble Dominican priest raised his voice in protest. The objections of kings and princes failed to keep him still. And Pope after Pope to whom the great crowned heads of Europe appealed refused to intercede. To still a voice like that, they said, would be to quench the very spirit upon which the Church was founded. It has always been the policy of the Church of Rome, once its ministers acknowledged the leadership of the Pope, to give them the utmost freedom of expression of the spiritual convictions that moved them."

Dr. McConnell declared that unless the Christian Church stops making adjustments to meet changes in governmental policy, social tendencies and the demands of vested interests, it will be deprived of "great heroic and prophetic leaders."

Eucharistic Congress Gets Its Charter

Springfield, Ill., April 9.—The International Eucharistic Congress which is to be held in Chicago June 20 to 24 yesterday was issued a charter by Secretary of State Emmerson. The object of this action is to promote the Congress and the sale of all literature and photographs in connection with it.

The incorporators are the Rt. Rev. E. F. Hoban, the Very Rev. Msgr. B. J. Shiel, the Rev. William Griffin, the Rev. Joseph A. Casey, Joseph I. Breen and T. J. Condon of Chicago.

ILLUSTRATED TALK ON ROME GIVEN BY KNIGHTS OF ST. GREGORY

Hundreds were turned away Friday night, April 9, from the Judge Gary Bishop Aldering Settlement House, when an eager audience thronged to hear Sir Anthony Matre, K. S. G., of Chicago, lecture on Rome. Sir Anthony is one of the few laymen in the United States upon whom has been conferred the Knighthood of St. Gregory the Great, and the first of nine laymen of the city of Chicago to be so honored. Sir Anthony's lecture was illustrated and was well received. There were pictures of various churches in Rome with interior and exterior views. Pictures of the famous catacombs in the underground city beneath Rome where early Christians worshipped and where the dead were buried, featured the display. Sir Anthony has visited Rome on several occasions and has been presented to Pope Leo XIII, Pope Pius X, Pope Benedict XV and His present Holiness Pope Pius XI.

The audience had an opportunity to hear a choir consisting of 85 girls from the Hungarian, Polish, Slovak, Lithuanian, Italian and Greek parishes singing "Long Live the Pope," accompanied by the Settlement House orchestra. Claude Holmes sang "The Holy City." He was accompanied by Miss Gertrude Garish at the piano, and Helen and Edmund Garish, Jr., on violins. The program was arranged by Fr. Sheridan of the Settlement House.

Mexicans to Attend Eucharistic Congress

Chicago, April 19.—Four special trains will bear 900 Mexican Catholics in a single party to the Eucharistic Congress here in June, the Congress headquarters here has been informed. The delegation will arrive Sunday morning, June 20, and will immediately march in a body to a church, where its members will receive Holy Communion. Accommodations already have been arranged for the party here.

Two more Mexican prelates have announced their intention to attend the Congress. They are the Most Rev. Giuseppe Ottone, Archbishop of Oaxaca, and the Rt. Rev. Ignatius Valdespino y Diaz, Bishop of Aguas Calientes. Other large parties of Mexican pilgrims also are expected.

Congress headquarters also have been informed that Cardinal Mundelein's invitation has been accepted by the Rt. Rev. Hugh MacSherry, Bishop of the Eastern district of the Cape of Good Hope. Bishop MacSherry was born in Ireland but is known in this country because of a series of lectures he gave in America on his last visit. He hopes to bring a small party of his native flock to the Congress with him.

In England measles come in two-year waves but here they come in spots.

Chicago Congress Memorial To Be A Charity Fund

Chicago, April 16.—A Eucharistic Congress Memorial Fund of $100,000 was agreed upon at the annual meeting of the Associated Catholic Charities of Chicago here this week. This money is to be put aside as an emergency fund to be used in case of epidemics sweeping the archdiocese, especially of sicknesses to which children are subject.

The emergency fund idea has long been in the mind of Cardinal Mundelein and was suggested to him shortly after he was appointed to the Chicago See. The late Dr. John B. Murphy, noted surgeon, is said to have first brought the proposition to the then new archbishop.

Cardinal Mundelein was the principal speaker at tonight's meeting, which was held at the Quigley preparatory seminary. He outlined the scope of the Congress and the purposes concerning the special fund.

"We do not want to erect a monument of bronze to commemorate the Congress," the Cardinal said, "but it would gratify me if we could do something for the poor. This special fund of $100,000 I want to set aside to provide for any emergency, such as the recurrence of infantile paralysis, so the children of the poor may have the same surgical and medical care given the children of the rich.

"We intend the expenses of the Eucharistic Congress will be paid by the Catholics of Chicago through private gifts and through the regular church channels, but the appeal to the Catholic Associated Charities will be made to all who feel they would like to help the poor."

Cardinal Mundelein said the campaign for the Associated Charities will aim at $1,000,000, with a positive anticipated goal of $750,000.

D. F. Kelly, president of the Catholic Associated Charities, assured the Cardinal the emergency $100,000 would be raised. Other speakers were Judge J. P. McGoorty, Bishop E. F. Hoban, Rev. W. A. Cummings and Quinn O'Brien.

The annual statement of the Catholic Associated Charities showed that $642,661 had been spent for relief work in the archdiocese; relief had been given in 214,061 cases; 19,24[illegible] children cared for; 49,604 persons helped in homes; and 7,090 families aided.

Usury, in its wider significance means all gain from the lending of money. Now, however, it has come to mean unjust gain on loans by reason that the gain is not justified by the loss or risk to the lender or the benefit to the borrower, or because the amount of the gain is exorbitant. In this latter case usury is forbidden by both the natural law and the Bible.

ST. BERNARD'S SUNDAY SCHOOL CHAMPIONS AT WABASH

Left to Right—Standing, Ludwik Bizjak and Russel Smith; Seated, Tony Carso, Raymond Smith, T. Cornell.

The Catholic team won the Sunday school basketball league this season and displayed some of the best net work ever shown by an independent quintet. Cornell and Raymond Smith played at the forward positions, George Smith was center, Carso and Bizjak were guards. The team lost only one game during the entire season finishing with the highest percentage. The Friends took second place in the league.

Seminary Student Dies When Struck By Pitched Ball

St. Louis, April 11.—Patrick Egan, 16 years old, was killed yesterday when he was struck over the heart by a pitched baseball during a game between the third and fifth year classes of La Salle Institute of Glencoe, St. Louis County, a seminary of the Christian Brothers' order.

Brother O'Malley, a member of the fifth year class, who was pitching was prostrated with grief over the accident, Brother O. Gabriel of the institution reported. B. F. Egan of 6908 South Ada Avenue, Chicago, is the boy's father.

Most of the trimming on hats this year is being done by the shop owners.

Priest Is Elected Mayor in Michigan

Daggett, Mich., April 16.—Fr. Frank A. Seifert, pastor of St. Frederick's Catholic Church here, has been elected mayor of the city. He was unopposed at the caucus and at the election only three scattering votes were cast against him.

London, April 19.—Charles William Francis Noel, Earl of Gainesborough, died on Saturday. He was born in 1850 of parents who were converted to the Catholic faith in 1851. He was educated at Oscott, and was formerly a lieutenant in the Hussars. He succeeded his father in 1881.

It turned out that the Omaha sniper's mental calibre was smaller than that of his rifle's.

Religion and Culture Of Primitive People To Be Studied

Priests' Anthropological Society Organized.

Washington, April 13.—The Catholic Anthropological Conference, a council which seeks the promotion of ethnological training for candidates for missionary work, the stimulation of ethnological research and the publication of scientific information thus produced by missionaries in the field, has been founded by a meeting just held at Catholic University here. Delegates to the meeting were representatives of missionary orders, congregations and agencies.

The Rt. Rev. Bishop Thomas J Shahan, Rector of Catholic University, was unanimously elected president of the conference and the Rev. John M. Cooper, Ph.D., of Catholic University, secretary. The Very Rev. Michael Mathis, C.S.C., Superior of the Foreign Mission Seminary, Brookland, D. C., the Rev. Albert Muntsch, S.J., of St. Louis University, the Rev. Leopold Tibesar, A.F.M., of Maryknoll, N. Y., Msgr. William Hughes, Director, Bureau of Catholic Indian Missions, and Msgr. William Quinn, National Director in the United States of the Society for the Propagation of the Faith, were elected the executive board of the conference.

"Globe-trotters," said the Rev. Marcillinus Molz, of Baltimore, "frequently spread false impressions concerning the life and culture of the people among whom they have lived a day or two. The missionary has the opportunity of correcting these false impressions and presenting the true about primitive people. But help the missionaries before setting out, and do all you can to give them correct ideas about the people among whom they are to labor."

The conference plans to put information gained through this system of ethnological research before the world in a yearbook.

Irish Catholic Installs Remarkable Fog Bell

Dublin, April 13.—A well known Catholic Scientist, Mr. I. I. Dowling, has installed in the port of Dublin a most remarkable piece of marine apparatus. At the entrance to the river Liffey is a lighthouse which can only be reached by water. During fogs a bell in the lighthouse is rung, so as to warn mariners of their position when the light is invisible. While automatic lighting arrangements have long made it possible to leave the lighthouse without a staff during clear weather, it was necessary to keep men on duty in the lighthouse in order to give the bell signals during fogs. Mr. Dowling already well known in the scientific world as the inventor of delicate measuring instruments, set to work to invent an apparatus that would ring a bell during fogs without human interference.

The apparatus, Mr. Dowling has explained, is designed, not to ring the bell, but to keep it from ringing in clear weather. A ray of light burning day and night on the land near the lighthouse is focused by strong lenses on an instrument housed in the lighthouse. The ray of light causes an infinitesimal electric current to operate and hold in place a catch which keeps the bell from ringing. During fog the ray of light from the land is obscured, the tiny electric current fails, and with it goes out of action the catch restraining the automatic bell ringing machinery, which gets free and sounds the warning to mariners.

The machine has even more human capabilities than ringing when the ray of light is obscured. This ray is obscured by every passing ship, especially those with smoky funnels, and in order to prevent fog signals from breaking out on the passage of all river traffic, there is a slow motion mechanism which prevents the apparatus from functioning until the ray of light from the land has been obscured for longer than it takes a ship to pass.

This distinguished Catholic is barely forty years of age and many more valuable inventions are expected from his ingenuity.

Notre Dame Represented at Convention.

The thirteenth annual conference of the National Association of Alumni Secretaries, and the Alumni Magazine Association was held recently at Ohio State University, Columbus, Ohio. Notre Dame was represented by James E. Armstrong, '25, secretary of the Notre Dame Alumni Association. No other Catholic university is a member of either of these associations.

The conference was addressed by several prominent speakers, including Dr. Clarence Cook Little, President of the University of Michigan, and Dr. Harry A. Garfield, President of Williams College. Two of the most important of present day university problems were discussed when Dr. John Wilce, Coach at Ohio State, and Coach Hugo Bezdek of Penn State spoke on the relation of alumni associations to football coaches, and when Major John L. Griffith of the Western Conference, and Mr. J. T. Blossom, Graduate Director of Athletics at Yale, discussed whether or not professional football is a menace.

CARDINAL DeLAI'S JUBILEE.

Cardinal DeLai celebrated the golden jubilee of his priesthood on Sunday. Pope Pius sent him a cordial letter, in which he rejoiced with him over the event. Cardinal DeLai was born in 1852, and was ordained in 1876.

INTRODUCING JUST ANOTHER COLUMN ABOUT ALMOST ANYTHING.

The Man in the Steeple is back again. In answer to many inquiries, he wishes to state that his more or less facile pen has not been cramped by the rheumatics, but he has been crowded out by lack of space. He takes great pleasure in giving you a long distance review of a movie, this time.

I see that a new film version of the famous "Ben Hur" has been released. The Man in the Steeple has not had a chance to view the new picture yet, so he cannot censor it for you.

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He hopes it will be shown in some out-door theatre near his particular Steeple, so he can see it without leaving his retreat.

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Nearly everyone has read the book. It is a story whose scene is laid in Christ's time, when Imperial Rome was mistress of the world. The writer of the book was not a Catholic, and he treats the story of Christ's life a little more freely than others do. But he is sympathetic and reverent.

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Interwoven with the scenes in Judea, there is a thrilling story of intrigue and battle. The chariot race is the climax of the action.

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Speaking about the chariot race, some of the readers of this will remember when Ben Hur was acted in one of the large theatres of the Middle-West. A section of the stage was cut away, and a revolving treadmil was built to present the race. The horses went on and on furiously, but never passed from the spectators' view. The race scene was good, but not an over-brilliant success. How could it be?

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The picture will not present a difficulty—the chariot race is said to be one of the most successful ever screened.

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The picture is declared to have a strong religious appeal.

The story of course includes the birth at Bethlehem, the coming of the Magi, the flight into Egypt, the cure of the lepers and finally the trial before Pilate.

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The newest panchromatic film is used—many of the scenes are in color.

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Of course the screen version would leave any stage version hopelessly behind in atmosphere, fittings, number of actors, etc. Part of it was screened in Italy. It has been styled a really remarkable production.

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It took two years to make the picture. If it is well and reverently done, it will bring many moments of pleasure—and perhaps spiritual profit—to millions of people. Thousands will go to see it who never go to church.

The Man in the Steeple.

High Mass for Benefactors of Catholic High of Lake County

High School Thanks the Helpers.

The annual bazaar of C. C. H. S. has come to a successful close. It was given under the auspices of zealous Catholic friends from every part of the county. Even from the extreme southern part of Lake County, from Crown Point, Schererville, St. John, Dyer, there was co-operation. Gary friends, enlisted by Mrs. Alexander rendered valuable aid.

Committees were under general management of Mrs. Theobold, Whiting, (assisted by Mrs. Waywood, of Whiting), as chairlady, Miss Catherine Hoess, Hammond, as secretary, and Martin D'Errico, Calumet City, as manager. Space in these columns precludes the mentioning of the individual workers. But there were very many of them, especially the faithful ladies, who have so often sacrificed their time, labor and goods for the advancement of the cause of education in Lake County.

A rough survey of the bazaar attendance indicates that St. Joseph's of Hammond, easily had the best representation.

The spring assessment of the school for sidewalks, pumping station, etc., amounting in all to nearly thirteen hundred dollars, will be almost covered by the proceeds of the bazaar.

C. C. H. S. wishes to avail itself of these columns in order to sincerely thank the Rev. Pastors, the faithful committees and workers of the bazaar, the donors, including also the Knights of Columbus of Hammond, for the use of their hall, as well as each and every man and woman who attended the bazaar. A High Mass of thanksgiving was offered for all the benefactors, Monday, April 19, 1926.

When you leave a hotel you are called a "check out" but the proprietor is a check in.

St. Martin's Church at Cedar Lake Frescoed

Easter Sunday Sees the Happy Completion of the Artistic Work.

Father Hottenroth and the congregation of St. Martin's church, Hanover Center, Ind., were doubly happy on Easter Sunday when celebrating the usual Paschal festivities. The church has been newly frescoed. Its beauties were shown with added attractiveness and the entire effect was very devotional.

The architecture of the church was the determining reason for the selection of colors and designs. The church is built in the Roman style and the work has been done in the strictly Roman mode.

A buff blended from dark to light forms the main color of the walls and ceiling of the body of the church. Appropriate designs set off the windows and arches of the ceiling. The portions generally given to wainscoting have been marked in stone.

The sanctuary has been made the object of special attention. The artistic plaster work has been finished in touches of gold. The background of the side altars has been finished in a French grey tapestry, while the background for the main altar has been given over to old rose tapestry. The scheme of blending from dark to light has been incorporated also here. The ceiling has been finished in a blended blue.

On the arches leading to the Sanctuary, a representation of Christ as The Lamb of God and two angels has been painted, and on the arches leading to the transept, the Apostles Peter and Paul, and the four Evangelists.

The work has been done by Herman Diedam of Kentland, Ind., and much credit is due both because of choice of colors and of judicious design.

Parishioners of St. Martin's church the Pastor, the visitors are delighted with the work of Mr. Diedam, who justly can be numbered among the best church frescoers of the country.

The achievement would hardly have been possible had it not been for Mr. and Mrs. Jacques G. Haas, of Chicago, Ill. Although but recently making their home within the limits of the parish, their interest in parish work has been a consolation to all. The added impetus to prayer because of the very inviting House of God will surely react to their favor.

CENTRAL AMERICAN PRELATE DIES.

San Salvador, April 18.—Most Rev. Antonio Adolfo Perez y Aguilar, Archbishop of San Salvador, died here yesterday at the age of eighty-seven.

Archbishop Perez was born in San Salvador in 1839. He was educated in Guatemala and, shortly after his ordination, served as secretary to the Archbishop of San Salvador. He studied at St. Sulpice in Paris, and upon his return here founded the Lycee and became its rector in [illegible]. He became Archbishop in 1913. In 1916 he was made Assistant to the Pontifical Throne.

Vigils were originally the watches kept on nights preceding feasts, but from the eleventh and twelfth centuries they came to be the days and nights preceding feasts.